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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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For: Novel Polyesterified Block Copolymer and Process for Producing the
Same
Inventor: Takashi SAWAGUCHI
Our Ref: 2261.0030000

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1. First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
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4. Supplementary European Search Report;
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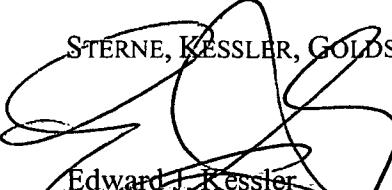
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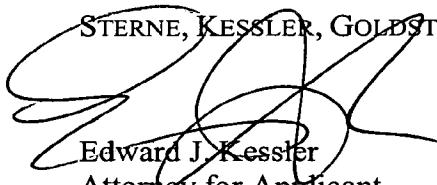
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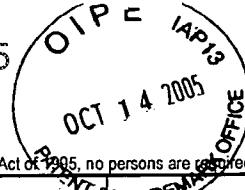
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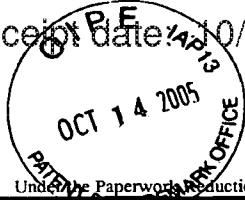
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